

Admissions Guidelines: International Baccalaureate

General admission guidelines applicable to all programs:

The IB Diploma is accepted as a credential for admission to degree programs. IB final and predicted results may be used to consider applicants for both early fall and regular admission, as well as entrance scholarships.

- IB Diploma including IB English with an overall score of 24 or better.
- Students admitted to Acadia University with a score of 30 or higher on the IB Diploma will receive 30 hours of university credit
- Students who have completed IB courses but do not possess the diploma will be considered based on their coursework. Acadia gives individual credit for IB courses completed at the higher level with grades of 5, 6, or 7.
- Courses required for admission to certain programs (see "Specific program admission guidelines" below) must be completed with a 4 or better.

Specific program admission guidelines:

- **Applied Science (Engineering)** – IB Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL) IB Chemistry is required for the certificate program. IB Physics recommended.
- **Biology** – IB Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL) and IB Chemistry.
- **Business Administration** – IB English and IB Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL)
- **Chemistry** – IB Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL) and IB Chemistry.
- **Community Development** - IB Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL)
- **Computer Science** – IB Mathematics.
- **Economics** – IB Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL)
- **Environmental Geoscience** – IB Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL) and IB Chemistry.
- **Environmental Science** – IB Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL) and IB Chemistry.
- **Geology** – IB Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL) and IB Chemistry.
- **Kinesiology** – IB Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL).
- **Mathematics** – IB Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL).
- **Music** – All prospective music students will complete a School of Music application. For students interested in the Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Music Therapy degrees, a live (or recorded) audition is required with the application.
- **Nutrition** – IB Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL) and IB Chemistry.
- **Physics** – IB Mathematics: Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL). IB Physics recommended.
- **Psychology** – IB Mathematics Analysis and Approaches (SL or HL) or Applications and Interpretations (SL or HL).

High school transcript self-report of grades:

- Students have the opportunity to self-report their transcript information, which Acadia will use to assess admission to degree programs. High school applicants must report all academic IB Year 1 and IB Year 2 courses along with all available midyear or final grades. Information provided will be automatically assessed and applicants will be advised of their admissibility to Acadia.
- Offers of admission based on self-reported transcript information will be verified with the final official transcript from IBO. You should arrange for your final transcript to be sent to Acadia at the end of June. All applicants must have self-reported their course information accurately and must maintain their academic admission average in their final results; otherwise the offer of admission may be withdrawn.

Early fall admission:

Students may be considered for early fall admission before their first set of IB Year 2 marks is available. Students applying for early fall admission should include their final IB Year 1 marks and a school-approved list of courses they are taking in IB Year 2 (both semesters) with their application. IB Year 2 courses must be consistent with the guidelines listed above.

Entrance Scholarships:

An admission application and all required supporting documents for admission must be received in the Admissions Office before March 1 in order to be considered for an entrance scholarship.

Costs for first-year full-time students (2021-2022)

Tuition* – Canadian Undergraduate		Room and board**	
Tuition (NS Students subtract \$1,283)	\$9,477	Shared double room, 7 day meal plan	\$10,528
Technology Fee	\$568	Medical and Dental***	
Athletics & Health Services Fee	\$247	Student health and dental, single person, Canadian, 12 months,	\$396
Subtotal	\$10,292	Other fees	
		Student organization and access fees	\$321
		Total estimated costs (CAD)	\$21,537

* Fees for International Students - Tuition: \$18,973, Medical/Dental: \$940 - all other fees remain the same. Total \$31,577 (\$25,100 approximately in US dollars)

** Other options for residence and meal plans are available.

*** Not required if you have alternate coverage.

